

SERMON NOTES **AUG. 14, 2022**

Sermon: Deacons

Speaker: Pastor James Walling

Text: Acts 6:1-7

¹ Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution. ² And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. ³ Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty. ⁴ But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." ⁵ And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. ⁶ These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them. ⁷ And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.

Introduction

1. The Function of a Deacon, vv.1-2, 4.

***Problem solvers**

***People servers**

***Pastor helpers**

2. The Form of a Deacon, v.3.

***Good**

***Godly**

***Gifted**

3. The Fulfillment of a Deacon, v.7.

***The Word increases**

***The church multiplies**

***The lost are converted**